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# REV. WILLIAM ADAMS

OF MADISON SQUARE CHURCH, NEW YORK CITY,

WITH HIS

## ADAMS AND BRADFORD LINES OF DESCENT.

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ALL early data are based on the fact that the years previous to 1752 began on the 25th of March; subsequently the new year began on the first day of January.

### CORRECTIONS AND INTERLINEATIONS.

On page 5, line 19, for 1685, read 1695.  
" 6, " 6, " 1744, " 1745.  
" 7, " 16, " 12, " 19.  
" 7, " 22, insert Ripley after Rev. John.  
" 7, " 34, for Arme, read Orme, d. Nov. 1, 1890.  
" 7, " 35, " 1846, " 1845.  
" 7, " 37, " 1813, " 1815.  
" 7, " 38, insert m. Sept. 8, 1849, William Campbell, d. April 25, 1843.

On page 7, line 41, for 1830, read 1827.  
" 8, " 12, " fifty, " forty.  
" 8, " 22, " 24, " 25.  
" 8, after line 23, insert had a son, William, b. Sept. 10, 1836; d. Dec. 1, 1836.

On page 8, line 31, for 25, read 1.  
" 8, " 41, insert had a son, William Adams Brown, Jr., b. Nov. 14, 1894.

On page 8, line 43, insert had a daughter, Dorothea, b. May 13, 1894.

MARY, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Ripley) Adams, b. April 7, 1799; m. Sept. 18, 1821, Rev. Daniel Hemenway; she d. Feb. 4, 1873. They had children:

- i. MARY ADAMS, b. July 16, 1822; d. Dec. 15, 1885.
- ii. SARAH ELIZABETH, b. March 12, 1824; m. June 10, 1845, Edwin Holman, and had children: 1. *Charles Edwin*, b. Oct. 28, 1845; m. Sept. 28, 1872, Jennie Elizabeth Blair, and had children: (1) Mary Elizabeth, b. Dec. 29, 1878; (2) George Edwin, b. April 25, 1881. 2. *Mary Abbie*, b. May 6, 1848, m. June 30, 1870, Elmore A. Kent, and had children: (1) a son b. July 26, 1871, d. July 27, 1871; (2) Norton Adams, b. July 28, 1873; (3) Albert Emmett, b. Jan. 29, 1876. 3. *Rev. William Henry*, b. Jan. 19, 1852; m. first, Nov. 21, 1877, Mary Elizabeth Warner, who d. June 22, 1879; he m. second, July 21, 1889, Clara E. Colburn, and had children: (1) Margaret, b. April 22, 1881; (2) John Adams, b. Jan. 9, 1883; d. March 9, 1883; (3) Ruth Colburn, b. Sept. 26, 1885; (4) Clara Hemenway, b. March 16, 1887; 4. *Alfred Lyons*, b. Dec. 28, 1854; m. Nov. 25, 1885, ~~\* Lucy C. W. Hall~~, and had children: (1) Cecile Alexandrine, b. Aug. 30, 1885; (2) Doris Elizabeth, b. July 10, 1888.
- iii. MIRIAM WALLEY, b. Jan. 13, 1826; d. March 27, 1883.
- iv. JOHN ADAMS, b. Feb. 20, 1825; m. Feb. 18, 1858, Eliza Maria Rising; they had children: 1. *George Charles*, b. Nov. 21, 1858; 2. *Henry Rising*, b. March 17, 1862; m. May 6, 1885, Mary Eliza Sheldon, and had (1) Mary Elizabeth, b. Aug. 9, 1887; (2) Henrietta Rising, b. April 26, 1893; (3) Helen Sheldon, b. Oct. 24, 1894. 3. *Egerton*, b. April 27, 1868; m. Feb. 10, 1892, Martha A. Fuller, and had (1) Marjorie Fuller, b. Oct. 6, 1894.

*\* Her maiden name was Mrs. Cecile Worthing, daughter of Henry Worthing & Eliza Sophia (Hall) Worthing, but her parents both dying before she was 4 years old, she was adopted by her mother's brother, Rev. L. Edwinia Hall, and took the name of Hall.*



- v. ELIZABETH RIPLEY, b. May 13, 1830; d. Sept. 13, 1887.
- vi. GEORGE COWLES, b. Dec. 8, 1832; d. Dec. 11, 1834.
- vii. DANIEL EGERTON, b. Dec. 29, 1841; d. Nov. 21, 1862.

Rev. JOHN RIPLEY, son of John and Elizabeth (Ripley) Adams, b. March 20, 1802; m. Feb. 19, 1833, Mary Ann McGregor; he d. April 25, 1866. They had children:

- i. JOHN McGREGOR, b. March 11, 1834; m. July 12, 1864, Jane R. King.
- ii. ELIZABETH McGREGOR, b. Oct. 1, 1836; m. July 27, 1864, Rev. Edward Strong Dwight; she d. July 4, 1879; they had children: 1. Marion McGregor, b. Dec. 15, 1865; 2. Julia Strong Lyman, b. Dec. 2, 1870.
- iii. ALBERT EGERTON, b. Aug. 22, 1849; m. Sept. 5, 1873, Elizabeth Livingston Steele.

HARRIET HANNAH, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Ripley) Adams, b. Jan. 14, 1809; m. Nov. 7, 1832, Rev. J. Q. A. Edgell; she d. May 12, 1866. They had children:

- i. SUSAN ELIZABETH, b. April 11, 1834; d. Sept. 11, 1839.
- ii. JOHN ADAMS, b. Nov. 13, 1835; d. July 28, 1839.
- iii. GEORGE COWLES, b. Aug. 8, 1840; d. March 17, 1851.
- iv. HARRIET ELIZABETH, b. Oct. 19, 1847; m. Oct. 19, 1869, Edward Carter Chamberlin, and had children: 1. Alice Adams, b. Sept. 4, 1870; 2. George Chamberlin, b. Jan. 17, 1873; 3. Louise, b. March 4, 1876; 4. Caroline, b. Sept. 26, 1878; 5. Mary Edgell, b. Dec. 2, 1880; 6. Harriet Adams, b. Oct. 12, 1882; 7. Edward Carter, Jr., b. Sept. 6, 1883; 8. Stephen Edgell, b. Feb. 9, 1889.

ABBY ANN, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Ripley) Adams, b. March 10, 1811; married 1st, Sept. 1833, Rev. A. M. Egerton. He died ——. She married 2d, June 9, 1842, Richard McAllister Orme. She died Nov. 1, 1890. They had children:

- i. MARY ELIZABETH, b. Feb. 6, 1844; m. Nov. 2, 1869, Rev. William Flinn, D.D.; she d. Aug. 8, 1871; they had a son, Richard Orme, b. Aug. 8, 1870.
- ii. JOHN ADAMS, b. Dec. 27, 1845; m. April 15, 1874, Olivia J. Bates.
- iii. WILLIAM ARCHIBALD, b. Jan. 10, 1849; m. Nov. 12, 1872, Susan Heath.
- iv. ANNA RIPLEY, b. Sept. 27, 1851; m. May 4, 1880, Charles P. Crawford, and had children: 1. Mary Abby, b. Feb. 6, 1881; 2. Mabel Hamilton, b. Sept. 3, 1886.
- v. EDWARD DUNNING, b. Feb. 27, 1853.

EMILY JANE, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Ripley) Adams, b. Jan. 2, 1813; m. May 8, 1845, Joseph H. Bancroft. They had children:

- i. A son, b. Aug. 15, 1846; d. at birth.
- ii. JOHN ADAMS, b. Aug. 15, 1846; m. Dec. 17, 1872, Ollie Downing; had Zuly, b. Feb. 5, 1874; John Adams Bancroft, d. Feb. 19, 1876.
- iii. JOSEPH H., b. June 13, 1848; d. Oct. 28, 1848.
- iv. EMILY ADAMS, b. Sept. 25, 1849; d. Oct. 15, 1853.
- v. WILLIAM ADAMS, b. Aug. 26, 1860; m. Jan. 19, 1888, Emily B. Topping, and had children: 1. McGregor Adams, b. Nov. 25, 1888; 2. Gladys Topping, b. Feb. 2, 1894; d. Aug. 5, 1894.

PHEBE PHILLIPS, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Ripley) Adams, b. July 24, 1817; m. Sept. 8, 1849, William Campbell. She died April 25, 1843. They had:

- i. EMILY ADAMS, b. July 25, 1841; d. Sept. 26, 1842.

Page 11, line 32, for 1765 read 1764.

" " " 36, for 29 read 19.



For corrections indicated see  
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REV. WILLIAM ADAMS OF MADISON SQUARE  
CHURCH, NEW YORK CITY,  
WITH HIS ADAMS AND BRADFORD LINES OF DESCENT.

THE ADAMS LINE.

1. HENRY<sup>1</sup> ADAMS is said to have come to New England about the year 1634, and in February, 1641, he received a grant of forty acres of land in Braintree, Mass., from the town of Boston, of which it then was a part. In the petition for the formation of the first church in Braintree, we find the names of Henry Adams, Thomas Adams, Henry Adams, Jr., John Adams, Christopher Adams and Samuel Adams. Henry Adams, Sen. died October 6, 1646; his will was probated 8, 4, 1647; his children (so far as definitely known) were:

i.	HENRY. <sup>2</sup>	iv.	JONATHAN.	vii.	JOSEPH.
ii.	THOMAS.	2. v.	PETER.	viii.	EDWARD.
iii.	SAMUEL.	vi.	JOHN.		
ix.	UESULA, who was mentioned in his will.				

2. PETER<sup>2</sup> ADAMS. In his will of 1646, Henry Adams mentions his son Peter; in 1652, Peter Adams with his wife and son John appeared at Medfield, Mass., where, in 1652, he is recorded as having a family of three persons. In the Indian raid of 1675 his house was burned, and he was one of the signers of a petition to the Great and General Court for aid. He died in 1690, and the inventory of his estate was taken October 28, 1690. His children were:

2. i.	JOHN. <sup>3</sup>
ii.	PETER, b. April, 1653.
iii.	HANNAH, b. June 16, 1655.
iv.	MARY, b. March 1, 1661.
v.	JONATHAN, b. July 11, 1663; d. May 15, 1664.
vi.	RUTH, b. June 29, 1665.
vii.	JOSEPH, b. August 25, 1668.
viii.	SAMUEL, b. April 2, 1671.
ix.	HENRY, b. January 6, 1673.

3. JOHN<sup>3</sup> ADAMS, son of Peter and Rachel Adams, was brought to Medfield when a boy. The first mention of his name on the town books was his appointment to the office of "hog-reave" in 1686. This needful but rather undesirable office was as a joke usually given by the towns-people to the newly married man, and here serves as the first point of identification of this John Adams, as he was married in 1685. From this time he is always recorded as "John son of Peter Adams," to distinguish him from his two cousins of the same given name who were holding offices at the same periods, namely, John



Adams the Miller (son of Henry Adams), and John Adams the cordwainer (son of Edward Adams). As his occupation was never mentioned he was probably a yeoman or husbandman. In 1692 John Adams of Medfield sold to Robert Harrington of Watertown, Mass., six acres of land in Watertown butted by the land of Richard Bloyce, and his wife Michal Adams relinquishes her right of dower.

In Canterbury Coun. town books, vol. 2, page 21, John Adams of Medfield, Mass., on December 8, 1708, bought four hundred acres of land at Canterbury of William Johnson (one of the first proprietors of the place). March 16, 1718, the town of Canterbury confirmed to John Adams and to Samuel Adams, Jr. (his son), three hundred acres of land by Rowland's Brook, the bounds beginning at a heap of stones on the top of the hill on the west side, ran by Paine's land and that of Eleazar Brown; and another parcel of forty acres of land. John and Samuel Adams being settled inhabitants by the vote of the inhabitants of the town June 15, 1718. In April 30, 1723, John Adams received one and a half shares in the common and undivided lands.

March 10, 1720, Joseph Adams of Medfield, Mass., bought of John Cady secundus, a mansion house and eighty acres of land in Canterbury. This was a brother of John, who was then settled in that town. March 12, 1720, John Adams deeded to his son Richard land by that which he had before given to his son Isaac, which he had previously purchased of William Johnson. On the same day he deeded land to his other son, John Adams, Jr.

John Adams married at Medfield, Mass., April 2, 1685, Michal, daughter of Richard and Michal (Jennison) Bloyse, also spelled Bloyce and Bloice, of Watertown, Mass. They had children:

- i. SAMUEL.<sup>4</sup> b. February 25, 1685.
- ii. MARY. b. March 11, 1687.
- iii. PATIENCE. b. March 21, 1690; d. May 28, 1698.
- iv. RUTH. b. December 19, 1691.
- v. JOSIAH. b. October 4, 1693.
4. vi. JOHN. b. December 14, 1695.
- vii. ISAAC. b. January 30, 1697.
- viii. RICHARD. b. September 28, 1699.
- ix. JOSHUA. b. July 22, 1701; d. April 1, 1706.
- x. ABIGAIL. b. April 23, 1703; d. May 14, 1706.
- xi. BETHIA. b. February 8, 1704-5; d. April 15, 1706.
- xii. MICHAL (son). b. March 1, 1706-7.

All these births are recorded at Medfield, Mass.

This John Adams's will was drawn February 14, 1724; in it he provides for his wife Michal and for his daughter Mary, who was to live with her mother; he gave his son Samuel a quarter part of his "wearing clothes"; leaves to his three sons "who now live with me" his home lot to be equally divided between them, which lot is bounded south by "my son Richard Adams's land, west by my son Samuel's land, east by the hundred acres I purchased of William Johnson; also three fourths of the forty acres more lying northwest of the said home lot which I bought of William Johnson and M. Paine for the convenience of a saw mill. To my cozen (i.e. niece) Ruth Adams who now lives with me, five pounds provided she continues to live with my wife during the whole time," that is during her minority; he also mentioned his daughter Ruth Paine and his youngest son Michal Adams.



John Adams died February 26, 1724; his widow Michal Adams died April 14, 1752. The settlement of his estate is recorded in the Canterbury books, vol. 5, page 393, where we read: "Whereas Mr. John Adams of Canterbury late deceased, died seized of about one hundred acres of land bounded by that of Isaac Adams on the north, west by the land of the heirs of Mr. John Adams, east by the land of Elisha Paine, and John Adams gave the said land to his four sons Samuel, John, Isaac and Richard, who were the then surviving sons of the said John Adams, and the said heirs held the land in common until about 1734, when Richard died and left one only child, Lucy, whereupon she held the land in common with the other heirs until 1743, when Samuel died leaving only two daughters, Amy, late wife of Thomas Nowling, dec., and Mehitable, late wife of John Smith, dec., whereupon his share descended to these daughters; Mehitable died in 1750 and left four children; whereupon these heirs held the land in common, it is now desired to make a more natural division, etc."

4. JOHN<sup>4</sup> ADAMS, son of John and Michal (Bloyce) Adams, born at Medfield, Mass., in 1685, seems to have resided quietly on the large estate which his father had bought in Canterbury all the earlier years of his life, and it is not until the father was advanced in years that the children began to have any public mention. As one of the patriarchal families of the olden times, they appear to have lived in one community and to have cultivated the lands together. March 12, 1723, the elder John, the first of that given name in the town, made over to his son John, then about twenty-eight years old, fifty acres of the land "together with one quarter part of the land which I bought of William Johnson." This was near the close of the father's life, and the brothers went quietly on their way; Samuel and Richard marrying and then dying young, leaving only daughters; Isaac marrying and then removing from the town; so, in 1752, when the final settlement of the whole estate was made, there was the one only son John left "on the old place," as country people always term the original homestead. This John Adams's life is wholly made known to us by the few deeds which he gave from time to time. January 16, 1752, Isaac Adams of Canaan, Litchfield county, Conn., makes over to his brother John all his rights given by our father John Adams. April 17, 1752, John and Abigail (his wife) Adams acknowledge the receipt of a legacy from the estate of their father Josiah Cleveland of Canterbury, which had been bequeathed to them in a clause in his will of December 28, 1750, in which Josiah Cleveland mentions his daughter Abigail Adams and his grandson Benjamin Brown. In 1746, John and his wife were of the people who formed the Separatist Church in Canterbury which gave rise to so much dissension in that village. John Adams was made a member of the early church in 1741, and his wife Abigail in 1745. His own will was drawn May 4, 1782, and the estate was administered that same year; in it he mentions wife Abigail Adams. Mrs. Abigail Adams's estate was administered February 19, 1782, and mention is made of her "eldest son Benjamin Brown."

In precisely what year John Adams and the widow Abigail



(Cleveland) Brown were married has not yet been ascertained, but the Canterbury town records give the births of the following children:

- i. LOIS,<sup>3</sup> b. November 17, 1741.
- ii. MARY, b. June 23, 1743.
- 5. iii. JOHN, b. February 12, 1744.
- iv. LYDIA, b. June 12, 1746.
- v. CORNELIUS, b. March 21, 1748.
- vi. EBENEZER, b. October 6, 1749.
- vii. ABIGAIL, b. June 13, 1751.
- viii. SAMUEL, b. May 16, 1753.
- ix. RUTH, b. March 13, 1757.

In a little graveyard in the northern part of Canterbury the tombstones of both John and Abigail Adams have recently been found: "Here lies the body of Mr. John Adams who died January 16, 1762-3, in his 66<sup>th</sup> year." On that of his wife is inscribed: "Here lies the body of Mrs. Abigail, wife of Mr. John Adams who died December 15, 1782.

5. JOHN<sup>3</sup> ADAMS, son of John and Abigail (Cleveland, Brown) Adams, born in Canterbury, February 12, 1745; served in the army during the Revolution in the rank of lieutenant, and later was made a captain. He married 1st, at Putney, Vt., October 5, 1769, Mary, daughter of Deacon Joshua and Jemima (Davenport) Parker, who was born at Needham, Mass., September 23, 1747, died at Canterbury October 11, 1798; he married 2d, November 2, 1802, widow Hannah Faucon. He died December 10, 1818. Children, all by the first wife:

- 6. i. JOHN,<sup>4</sup> b. September 18, 1772.
- ii. JOSHUA, b. December 4, 1774.
- iii. MARY, b. May 27, 1777.
- iv. PARKER, b. May 6, 1779.
- v. ABIGAIL, b. October 31, 1781.
- vi. ANNA, b. January 2, 1784.
- vii. MOSES, b. September 28, 1786.
- viii. LUCERIA, b. March 20, 1789.
- ix. AURELLIA, b. March 10, 1793.
- x. CHARLES, b. June 11, 1795.

6. JOHN<sup>4</sup> ADAMS, son of John and Mary (Parker) Adams, born September 18, 1772; was graduated at Yale College in 1795. After which he formed a private school in the north part of Canterbury, and showed such skill in both management and development of his scholars as to at once make it a marked success. "In the spring of 1796, he was induced to remove his school to Canterbury Green, where it was immensely popular. Canterbury was never more flourishing than during the continuance of this school. He had in a large degree the art of calling out the best in a pupil, and awakening enthusiasm for school studies and master; he was especially kind to indigent young men, and often assisted them pecuniarily."\*

"In 1800 he was appointed rector of Plainfield, Conn. Aca and in 1803 preceptor of Bacon Academy of Colchester, Conn.; June, 1810, "he was chosen principal of Phillips Academy, Andover, Mass., in which office he continued twenty-three years. In 1833, he resigned this position and removed with some of his family to Illi-

\* Miss Larned in History of Windham County, Ct., vol. 2, p. 304.



inois, where he invested his property in the new lands. Possessed of a constitution of unusual soundness, he discovered in his seventy-second year he had both the power and opportunity of doing great good. Always interested in the young, he volunteered his services for their advantage, and after he had passed the period allotted to man, organized in the state of his adoption several hundred Sabbath schools, many of which have grown into churches. While resident in Andover he took part in the organization of several of the great national charities. The degree of LL.D. was conferred on him by his *alma mater* in 1854. His three sons are graduates of Yale College in the classes of 1821, 1825, 1827. He died in Jacksonville, Ill., April 24, 1863, in his 91st year, retaining to the last the full possession of his faculties, a sound judgment and a most cheerful Christian hope." \*

John Adams married 1st, May 8, 1798, Elizabeth, daughter of Gamaliel and Judith (Perkins) Ripley who was born March 12, 1776, died February 23, 1829; he married 2d, August 30, 1831, Mrs. Mabel Barrett; he died April 24, 1863. His children, all by the first wife, were:

1. MARY,<sup>7</sup> b. April 7, 1799; m. Sept. 18, 1821, Rev. Daniel Hemenway; d. February 4, 1873.
- ii. GAMALIEL, b. July 2, 1800; d. April 29, 1802.
- iii. Rev. JOHN, b. March 20, 1802; m. February 19, 1833, Mary Ann McGregor; d. April 25, 1866.
- iv. RIPLEY PERKINS, b. January 11, 1804; m. 1831, Hannah B. Tobey; d. April 30, 1870.
- v. ELIZABETH RIPLEY, b. July 7, 1805; m. February 13, 1828, Rev. George Cowles; they were both lost in the steamer Home, October 9, 1837.
7. vi. WILLIAM, b. January 25, 1807; m. (1) July 13, 1831, Susan S. Magoun; he m. (2) August 13, 1835, Martha B. Magoun.
- vii. HARRIET HANNAH, b. January 14, 1809; m. November 7, 1832, Rev. J. Q. A. Edge; she d. May 12, 1866.
- viii. ABBY ANN, b. March 10, 1811; m. (1) September, 1833, Rev. A. M. Egerton; she m. (2) June 9, 1842, Richard McAllister Arme.
- ix. EMILY JANE, b. January 2, 1813; m. May 8, 1846, Joseph H. Bancroft.
- x. HENRY PARKER, b. April 30, 1813; d. April 5, 1816.
- xi. PHOEBE PHILLIPS, b. July 24, 1817.

7. WILLIAM<sup>7</sup> ADAMS, son of John and Elizabeth (Ripley) Adams, born at Colchester, Conn.; was prepared for college at Andover by his father, and entered Yale, whence he was graduated 1830, one of the foremost among men who have achieved high reputation as scholars and divines. He returned to Andover and took the theological course; then was first settled over a church in Brighton, Mass. At the end of three years he removed to a pastorate of the Broome Street Presbyterian Church in New York. After nineteen faithful years of work, his people built the Madison Square church, whither they all removed.

Of a courtly, dignified, graceful presence, ready of speech, his affable manners and polished deportment rendered him a marked man in all assemblies. A scholar of more than ordinary accuracy, variety and elegance, he, more than most, was called upon on occasions of public interest in church and state. In 1873, he was chosen

\* Taken from an Obituary Record of the Graduates of Yale College deceased during the academic year ending July, 1953.



to speak the welcome to the American Evangelical Alliance, "and none of all the thousands present will ever forget the majestic grace, fervor of imagery and eloquence of his address of welcome to the learning and genius of the church beyond the sea; he spoke extemporaneously, but his words were the keynote of the whole series of meetings."\* He delivered the address at the Centennial celebration at Lexington, Mass.: and was one of the few who at their own expense were sent to ask of the Emperor of Russia liberty of worship for the dissenters from the Greek church in the Baltic provinces. He was made a member of the New York Historical Society, June 18, 1844. In the spring of 1874, after a New York pastorate of fifty years, he resigned his charge of the Madison Square church to accept the presidency of the Union Theological Seminary of New York, which he had been instrumental in forming.

Rev. William Adams married 1st, July 13, 1831, Susan P., a daughter of Thatcher and Mary (Bradshaw) Magoun of Medford, Mass., who died May 22, 1834; he married 2d, August 12, 1855, her sister, Martha Bradshaw Magoun, who was born October 17, 1812, died June 13, 1855; he died August 31, 1880. He had children—

By the first wife:

i. *WILLIAM*,<sup>3</sup> who was b. and d. November 24, 1822.

By the second wife:

ii. *THATCHER MAGOUN*, b. November 25, 1837; m. January 5, 1871, Frances Robbins.

iii. *WILLIAM*, b. January 31, 1840; m. May 14, 1867, Helen Coolidge. William Adams d. July 14, 1888. They had children:

1. *Henry*,<sup>3</sup> b. February 9, 1869; m. February 7, 1891, Clara Cerlies, and had—1. Dunbar Wright, b. November 15, 1891; 2. Dorothy, b. March 2, 1893.

2. *William*,<sup>3</sup> b. March 26, 1870; m. January 25, 1894, Alice C. Greenleaf.

3. *Thatcher*,<sup>3</sup> b. March 23, 1874.

4. *Margaret*,<sup>3</sup> b. March 31, 1876.

5. *John Brown*,<sup>3</sup> b. June 19, 1877.

6. *Thomas Safford*,<sup>3</sup> b. September 11, 1879.

iv. *MARY ELIZABETH*, b. May 30, 1842; m. November 9, 1864, John Crosby Brown, and had:

1. *William Adams*,<sup>3</sup> b. December 29, 1865; m. March 30, 1892, Helen Gilman Noyes, and had a son, John Crosby, b. December 22, 1892.

2. *Eliza Coe*,<sup>3</sup> b. September 8, 1868; m. November 9, 1887, Edward Caldwell Moore.

3. *Mary Magoun*,<sup>3</sup> b. December 22, 1869.

4. *James Crosby*,<sup>3</sup> b. September 28, 1872.

5. *Thatcher Magoun*,<sup>3</sup> b. March 8, 1876.

6. *Amy Brighthurst*,<sup>3</sup> b. April 28, 1873.

v. *SUSAN MAGOUN*, b. February 28, 1847; m. February 8, 1872, Eugene Delano, and had:

1. *William Adams*, b. January 21, 1874.

2. *Martha Magoun*,<sup>3</sup> b. July 24, 1875; d. August 17, 1876.

3. *Moran*,<sup>3</sup> b. June 14, 1877.

4. *Caroline*,<sup>3</sup> b. May 6, 1879.

5. *Susan Magoun*,<sup>3</sup> b. March 18, 1883.

6. *Eugene*,<sup>3</sup> b. February 26, 1887.

vi. *HENRY STUART*, b. April 6, 1849; d. October 10, 1852.

\* History of New York, by Mrs. Martha J. Lamb, vol. ii. p. 762.



## THE BRADFORD LINE.

1. **WILLIAM<sup>2</sup> BRADFORD**, son of William<sup>1</sup> and Alice (Hanson) Bradford, was born March, 1588. His father died in 1591, when his grandfather, William Bradford, took him; but the grandfather died in 1596, and he then went to live with his uncle Robert Bradford, who resided in the little village of Scrooby, a place five miles from Austerfield and near the estate of the Brewsters, in Nottinghamshire. He joined the church where Rev. Richard Clifton and Rev. John Robinson preached, and was soon numbered among the "Separatists," and became a leader among them. His early educational advantages were apparently very limited, but he so applied himself to study that he became proficient in Dutch, Latin, French and Greek; he also devoted himself to the study of Hebrew, as he desired to read the scriptures in their native tongue.

He went with the community which migrated to Holland, and was one of the most influential amongst them. On coming of age he received a considerable property from his father's estate, but did not succeed in some commercial undertakings; he learned the art of "fustian or frieze weaving." November 15, 1613, William Bretfoort, fustian worker, a young man from Osterfeldt, Eng., was affianced to Dorothea May from Witzbeach (Wisbeach, Cambridge, Eng.). The banns were published in Leyden, but the marriage took place elsewhere, as on December 9, 1613, William Bretfoort, aged 23 years, was married to Dorothea May, aged 16 years, in Amsterdam, Holland.

They embarked for England July 22, 1620, and after many mishaps and troubles, on September 6, 1620, set sail from Plymouth, Eng., with the first company of Pilgrims in the Mayflower, and reached Cape Cod harbor, N. E., on the following November. While they were at anchor, and when he was absent from the vessel, his wife Dorothea fell overboard and was drowned.

From this time onwards William Bradford's part in the fortunes of the community was important and powerful. Soon after the first governor, John Carver, died, Bradford was elected to that office, which he held by annual election until his death, excepting the years 1633, '34, '36, '38 and '44. He took a prominent part in all the councils, which were held at his house, and in all the affairs civic, political and military; from his house at the foot of Burial Hill each Sabbath morning the little company of worshippers, who all assembled there, marched in procession up the steep ascent to the fort at its top, where the religious services were held. As he lived the history of the times he wrote them, and this history, so long missing, is now that which gives his posterity the best pictures of the lives and events of those who so valiantly and bravely lived and died.

William Bradford married 1st. Dorothy May, who died December 9, 1620; he married 2d. Mrs. Alice, daughter of Alexander Carpenter of Wrentham, Eng., and the widow of Edward Southworth, who died March 26, 1670; he died May 9, 1657. His children were:

1. **JOHN<sup>3</sup>**, son of his first wife, who was of Duxbury, 1645; deputy to the General Court, 1652; lieutenant of Marshfield, Mass., in 1653;



m. Martha, daughter of Thomas and Martha Bourne of Marshfield, and then removed to Norwich, Conn., where he d. in 1673, *s.p.*

2. ii. WILLIAM, b. June 17, 1624.  
 iii. MERCY, m. Benjamin (or Joseph) Vermages.  
 iv. JOSEPH, b. 1620; m. May 25, 1664, Jael, daughter of Rev. Peter Hobart of Hingham, Mass.

2. MAJOR WILLIAM<sup>3</sup> BRADFORD, son of Governor William and Alice (Carpenter, Southworth) Bradford, born June 17, 1624, in Plymouth, Mass.; lived in Kingston, Mass.; he was appointed Assistant; was deputy governor; one of Governor Andros's council in 1687; chief military officer of the Plymouth colony. He married 1st. Alice, daughter of Thomas and Welshen Richards of Weymouth, Mass., who died at Plymouth, December 12, 1671; he married 2d, the widow Wiswall; he married 3d, Mrs. Mary, daughter of Mr. John Atwood of Plymouth, and the widow of Rev. John Holmes of Duxbury, Mass., who died June 6, 1714-15; he died February 20, 1703. His children were:

i. JOHN, <sup>4</sup> b. February 20, 1653.	ii. WILLIAM, b. March 11, 1655.	iii. THOMAS.	iv. SAMUEL.	v. ALICE.	vi. HANNAH.	vii. MERCY.	viii. MELETIAH.	ix. MARY.	x. SARAH.	xi. JOSEPH.	xii. ISRAEL.	xiii. DAVID.	xiv. EBRAIM.	xv. HEZEKIAH.
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3. HANNAH<sup>4</sup> BRADFORD, daughter of Major William and Alice (Richards) Bradford, who was born in Kingston, Mass., in 1661-2: married Joshua Ripley, a grandson of William Ripley who with his wife and four children came from Hingham, County Norwich, Eng., to Hingham, Mass., in 1638. His son John married Elizabeth, daughter of Rev. Peter Hobart of Hingham, and their son Joshua, with his wife Hannah Bradford, lived in Hingham until 1689, when they went to Norwich, Conn., whence they removed to the upper part of that state, where he bought of Isaac Magoun, the first settler, sixty acres of land on both sides of Merrick's Brook. The first town meeting of Windham was held June 11, 1692, when Joshua Ripley was appointed town clerk; he was also town treasurer. "He was a man widely known and respected, as of sterling sense and judgment; he was one of the first justices of the peace in Connecticut, and was appointed May, 1698, when that office was first instituted: was the first representative sent by Windham to the General Assembly, appearing there May, 1699." He was also one of the seven pillars or counsellors, and justice of the quorum in 1726. His wife was "a noble and useful woman, remarkable not only for intelligence and accomplishments, but for her skill in the art of healing. She was the first, and for a long time the only physician in the settlement, and it is said that the first male physician, Dr. Richard Huntington, received much of his medical knowledge from her." Joshua Ripley married November 28, 1682, Hannah Bradford, and their children were:

- i. ALICE RIPLEY,<sup>4</sup> b. in Hingham, September 18, 1683.
- ii. HANNAH RIPLEY, b. in Hingham, March 2, 1684-5.
- iii. JUDITH RIPLEY, b. in Hingham, October, 1686.
- iv. JOSHUA RIPLEY, b. in Hingham, May 13, 1688.



v. MARGARET RIPLEY, b. in Norwich, Conn., November 4, 1690.  
 vi. LEAH RIPLEY, } twins; b. in Windham, Conn., April 19, 1692.  
 vii. RACHEL RIPLEY, }  
 viii. HEZEKIAH RIPLEY, b. in Windham, June 10, 1695.  
 4. ix. DAVID RIPLEY, b. in Windham, May 20, 1697.  
 x. IRENE RIPLEY, b. in Windham, August 28, 1700.  
 xi. JERUSAHA RIPLEY, } twins; b. in Windham, November 1, 1701.  
 xii. ANN RIPLEY, }

4. DAVID<sup>3</sup> RIPLEY, son of Joshua and Hannah (Bradford) Ripley, born in Canterbury, May 20, 1697; married March 21, 1720, Lydia, daughter of Eliezer and Lydia Cary, who was born ~~March 24, 1705~~ <sup>1705-6</sup>, at Bristol, R. I., and died April 9, 1784; he died February 16, 1781. They had children:

- i. FAITH,<sup>4</sup> b. May 1, 1722.
- ii. LYDIA, b. February 20, 1723-4.
- iii. ANN, b. August 27, 1726.
- iv. IRENE, b. February 1, 1727.
- v. DAVID, b. February 7, 1730-1.
- vi. WILLIAM, b. July 12, 1734.
- vii. GAMALIEL, b. April 19, 1736; d. May 30, 1739.
- viii. ALITHIA, b. April 24, 1738.
- 5. ix. GAMALIEL, b. October 20, 1740.
- x. HEZEKIAH, b. February 3, 1742.
- xi. BRADFORD, b. December 30, 1744.
- xii. HANNAH, b. February 28, 1750.

5. GAMALIEL<sup>5</sup> RIPLEY, son of David and Lydia (Carey) Ripley, born October 20, 1740; married 1st, December 15, 1764, Elizabeth Hebard, who died January 10, 1785; he married 2d, January 23, 1772, Judith, daughter of Jacob and Jemima (Leonard) Perkins, who was born April 14 (or March 2), 1747; died July 6, 1803. He died April 15, 1799. They had children:

- i. ROSWELL,<sup>6</sup> b. December 31, 1765.
- ii. HERVEY, } b. October 25, 1772.
- iii. JUDITH, }
- iv. GAMALIEL, b. February 8, 1774.
- 6. v. ELIZABETH, b. March 29, 1776.
- vi. DAVID BRADFORD, b. April 19, 1778.
- vii. ZEPHANIAH, b. October 17, 1779.
- viii. LYDIA, b. December 4, 1780.
- ix. WILLIAM, b. May 27, 1782.
- x. JABEZ PERKINS, b. March 23, 1788.













